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## Ike Confers With Chiefs Of Defense

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President Eisenhower held an unscheduled meeting with some of his top defense and intelligence aides yesterday shortly after returning from a weekend at his Gettysburg, Pa., farm.

The President landed at Washington National Airport at 10:05 a. m. and promptly called top officials of the State Department, Central Intelligence Agency and the armed forces into a White House conference.

A spokesman said only that the meeting dealt with "security matters." He said it had nothing to do with the current military row over combat missions or Russia's informal invitation to U. S. Air Force leaders to visit Moscow.

Attending were Acting Secretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr.; Allen Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency; Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff.

Mr. Eisenhower had several other visitors yesterday, including Oregon Republican leader Philip S. Hitchcock. Hitchcock recently was defeated by former Interior Secretary Douglas McKay for the Republican senatorial nomination.

Hitchcock told reporters that as a good Republican he will support McKay in November. He predicted McKay will beat Sen. Wayne L. Morse (D-Ore.).

Hitchcock said he and the President did not discuss a report that he is in line for a Federal job.

Later Mr. Eisenhower conferred with Henry Luce, editor of Time Magazine, and Undersecretary of Labor Arthur Larson.

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